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THURSDAY—William Crane in "David Harum," Hardly any comment is necessary, as nearly everyone has read the book or seen Mr. Crane play this famous part on the stage. The picture is more wonderful because of the original settings. This is a Daniel Frohman play, with all-star Famous Players cast. On this night Paramount travels.

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SATURDAY—Mary Pickford in "Fanchon the Cricket." This winsome and delightful actress is certainly at her best in this rollicking story from the French. You would think from her pretty naivette that Mary Pickford had always lived in the fantastic surroundings of this play. Comedy, "Carpet-Sweepers' Ball."


## Holy Trinity Rector Reads Resignation

**Rev. Alfred Fletcher, One of the Pioneer Ministers of His Faith in Southern California, Decides to Take Up Work in Los Angeles Will Continue to Preach Here Until June 1.**

Rev. Alfred Fletcher, for nearly fifteen years the rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal church in Covina, resigned his position last Sunday morning through a statement made from his pulpit. The resignation is final, and will take effect June 1.

Rev. Fletcher is one of the best-known Episcopal ministers in Southern California. He came to California from Canada in 1885, when Southern California was largely a pioneer district for all branches of the Christian faith. After eight months spent in Pasadena, he took charge of the parish at Redlands, and worked in that city for five years. He built a church for his people while there.

After the Redlands pastorate he went to Corona, and was in charge of that parish for about five years, going from there to San Diego for a stay of five years. He came to the Covina church from San Diego. In all these places he built church edifices. His most ambitious achievement in church-building

REV. ALFRED FLETCHER, Rector for fifteen years of Holy Trinity Episcopal church, who this week read his resignation, and will move to Los Angeles on June 1.

has been accomplished in Covina, where a beautiful stone church costing about $15,000 has been erected, and which is in a large sense a memorial work for his wife, who died here, and who very earnestly desired that a new church building might be erected during her husband's pastorate.

In the announcement of his resignation, Rev. Fletcher took occasion to speak of the splendid unanimity of purpose which has characterized his work with the members of his church. He has worked here in entire cordiality with everyone for nearly fifteen years, which, he says, is a record worth remarking, as it seldom is the case that a minister can hold a pastorate for that length of time without a few unhappy experiences in church government. He feels that this fact of the constant harmony among the members of the Holy Trinity parish should be a matter to dwell upon in a spirit of congratulation at this time when his services are about to be transferred to other fields. Rev. Fletcher also spoke very feelingly of the manner in which he had worked in accord with the vestry. He gave the members who have served in this capacity very high praise.

Rev. Fletcher's resignation came entirely as a surprise to the vestry and members. The vestry at first was of a mind not to act at once upon it, but at the rector's solicitation it was allowed to stand as he wished, as he had made the resignation final.

The vestry of the church and the bishop of the diocese will name the successor. Rev. Fletcher has decided to move to Los Angeles in June, and will take up with general parish work in that city. There is always a great deal of work to do for ministers who have not stated positions. Later he may accept another charge. Rev. Fletcher has been for many years the secretary of the diocese of Los Angeles, which includes all of Southern California, and he will continue in this capacity. His resignation here has called forth many expressions of regret, not only from his own church members, but from townspeople in general, who have come to love and appreciate him in the splendid work he has accomplished in the city and valley.

## Czar's Dominion Theme of Lecturer

**Dr. Jerome Hall Raymond Describes Changes of Recent Date—Thinks Freedom Coming to People—Speaker Says Autocracy Is Insecure in Its Rule of the Land.**

With the live and interesting subject of "Russia, the Giant Guardian of the Slavs and Their Ambitions" as a topic, Dr. Jerome Hall Raymond delivered the second of a course of six lectures on "The European Capitals and Their Social Significance" at the high schol auditorium Monday evening.

The speaker opened his remarks by Russia, of how it covered almost one-seventh of the round surface of the globe, or, to be more exact, 8,764,586 square miles, and was inhabited by the enormous poulation of 171,059,900 people.

"The poulation of Russia is increasing faster than that of any other country except our own," he said. "The Russian population has doubled itself in the last twenty years.

"At a cost of $75,000,000 a 6000-mile railway was constructed, which was undoubtedly the greatest single undertaking of any country since the building of the great wall of China.

"Russia was formerly divided into a northern and southern section, but the capital was finally established at Moscow and remained there until its change by King Peter, 200 years ago.

"Moscow, however, still remains the center of religious activity."

The speaker told of its position on the Moscow river, from which it derived its name, and of the beauties of the city seen as one approached it by river, of the dazzling cathedrals, beautifully painted walls and roofs, and the many other beauties.

"In observing the city, one's mind always goes back to the ancient Moscow," he said. Many beautifully colored slides of the grand old Moscow cathedrals, chapels, monasteries and ikons were shown in illustration of the religious life of Russia, and the speaker told of how Napoleon had looked down upon the city from one of the tallest towers, a city of which he had great ambition to be czar.

"The most significant of all cathedrals is the Cathedral of Assumption, where the czar takes his vow, which is a most sacred and religious rite. This cathedral contains many of the country's most wonderful masterpieces, one of which is valued at as much as $50,000."

The pains to which the Russians went to obtain the most perfect architectural structure were fully described by Dr. Raymond, and he told of how one cathedral, which was considered the most beautiful in the world, was safeguarded against being surpassed by another structure by putting to death the architect who designed it.

"The Russian mosques are very similar to Turkish places of worship, both being fashioned after the old Byzantine architecture of the early Christian church.

"The great museum of Moscow is the only monument of the present or the future, all other edifices being of the past."

Dr. Raymond also told of a small strip of Norwegian territory, which is the only thing that lies between Russia and the north Atlantic ocean, and is greatly coveted by the Russians. "It will undoubtedly be made a part of Russia as soon as the slightest opportunity is afforded."

Practically all churches in Russia are othodox; some others, however are represented, foremost of which is the Lutheran.

"Russia is marked by many great bridges, royal palaces, and so forth—massive, imposing public structures, erected at the expense of the toiling masses, of whom half are poorly fed.

"The great palaces, with their beautiful gardens and fine statues which are so characteristic of Russia, are built for the pleasure of a few, while the masses work under oppression," he said.

The abject poverty of the lower class was fully described. They were characterized by the speaker as a kindly, illiterate, superstitious, submissive" sort of people.

The next lecture of the series will be given by Dr. Raymond next Monday evening on a subejct of special interest at this time, "Austria-Hungary, the Seething Whirlpool of Race Antagonism."

Mrs. Glen Harnish spent last Saturday with friends in Los Angeles.

## FLOOD CONTROL AND REFORESTATION SUBJECTS AT FARMERS' CLUB MEETING

Francis Cuttle of Riverside, for years the president of the Riverside Irrigating Company, and of late years also president of the Tri-Counties Reforestation Committee, will be the speaker tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon in the Covina high school auditorium, under the auspices of the Covina Valley Farmers' Club. Every rancher and citizen in the valley is asked to attend.

Mr. Cuttle is probably the best-informed man in Southern California on the question of re-establishing a forest cover on denuded watersheds, and the kindred question of the use of check dams in canyons, in order that the water may be retarded, causing greater seepage, and less flood in the valleys. He has been carrying on the work for several years in the counties of Riverside, San Bernardino and Los Angeles. The meeting will begin at 2:30 o'clock.

In his annual report as president of the Tri-Counties Reforestation committee, Francis Cuttle referred in an interesting manner to some experiments in flood control that were being made at moderats cost in the Haines canyon, back of Glendale. The Los Angeles Times gives the following interesting review of the value of this work as demonstrated by the present storm.

Having completed a thorough investigation of the effect on the recent flood of the 400 flood-retarding dams constructed in Haines canyon a year ago under his personal supervision, F. H. Olmsted, former member of the engineering corps of the county board of flood control, returned to Los Angeles elated with the results under drastic flood test. Not only did the small dams scattered through the canyon fulfill all expectations, and change the usual torrential stream of 65 cubic feet per second into an inoffensive one.

Mr. Olmsted was accompanied by his son, Harry Olmsted, Dr. C. C. Buck and G. I. Maxwell. The party left Los Angeles at 7 o'clock Monday morning and traveled over the ground under inspection during the heighth of the storm. The object of the trip was to inspect the check dams and observe the results of the work the county had expended $10,000 for the last year.

"On our way to Haines canyon we stopped first at Verdugo," said Mr. Olmsted. "The bank was full and the torrent had washed out the Pacific Electric tracks on the Burbank line. The Central avenue bridge is threatened with destruction, some of the levees are down and much ground is washed away back of the levees along the San Fernando road.

"Tejunga wash was in full flood tide, pouring across the plain and endangering the farms. The Santa Barbara trains were stalled and the water was passing at the rate of 4000 cubic feet per second.

"When we arrived at Haines canyon, the contrast was at once noticed. The crossing from Sunland to the Little Landers on Central avenue was flowing one-half cubic foot per second, and at 11 o'clock the wash across Cedar street was not flowing at all.

"A. S. Eby, in charge of the government gauges on the Western Empire canyon, told us that the rainfall from 11 o'clock of the 16th inst. to noon the 17th inst., had registered 5.7 inches on the higher gauge and 5.5 inches on the lower gauge.

"We found that the flow at the mouth of Haines canyon was five cubic feet per second, with no water at all running out of the canyon. In January, 1915, before the check dams were installed, a rain of 2½ inches caused a flow of 400 cubic feet per second.

"In Laurel canyon the water was running at a rate of three-fourths cubic feet per second, while in the main canyon the flow was approximately .54 cubic feet per second. The water was absolutely colorless, with no erosion, and the velocity was very low.

"During February, 1914, Haines canyon experienced its heaviest flood, the water running off in a stream averaging 712 cubic feet per second per square mile. From the outlok so far, we are about to have a heavier rainfall. But these 400 little dams, built at an average cost of $25 apiece, are doing wonders.

"During the flood of January, 1914, the flow averaged 400 cubic feet per second. This year, with the rainfall as heavy, if not heavier, the flow was only five cubic feet per second.

"The benefit to the county cannot be estimated in money. I believe there will be no more flood damage done by Haines canyon. In addition the conservation of this water by percolation increases the irrigation resources of that locality.

"To cite an instance of this: Before the check dams were erected in the Western Empire canyon, that canyon was nothing but a rocky wash. At present it is filled with willows, with a perennial stream running through it; and yet not a drop emerges from the mouth of the canyon.

"We have almost 3000 canyons in and near Los Angeles county that should be outfitted with check dams. When this is done, damage by flood will be nil, and the water thus saved from finally flowing into the ocean will go to strengthen the irrigation resources of the county."

## Local Phone Company in Annual Meeting

**Increase In Number of People Served Follows Year of Careful Financing—Large Block of Bonds Sold to Local People—Company Will Make Improvements in Azusa and Glendora.**

The purchase of $19,500 worth of local Home Telephone Company bonds in November and December of last year, all taken by Covina valley ranchers and citizens, was an item in a report made Tuesday of this week by Secretary-Manager Frank H. Wright to the stockholders of the Home Telephone Company of Covina in session for the annual meeting.

The company has just been through a year of conservative retrenchment, owing to the dull times, but in spite of this fact, the reports show a gradual increase in the number of telephones installed. Care in expenditure was necessary in order to adjust the company's business to the quiet conditions everywhere, but it has had a healthy effect on the general business of the year, and makes it possible to show a good condition at the annual meeting.

The company has 1,703 telephones installed. These are served by the three exchanges of Covina, Azusa-Glendora, and Puente. The manager said after the meeting that the company contemplates spending about $6000 in Azusa and Glendora during the coming year, and that other repairs and extensions will be made throughout the valley if the business seems to warrant it. The old board of directors and officers was re-elected, as follows: president, J. O. Houser; first vice-president, A. P. Kerckhoff; second vice-president, Mrs. L. M. La Fetra of Glendora; treasurer, H. M. Houser; J. H. Coolman, C. E. Needham of Glendora, and J. R. Elliott. Secretary and manager, Frank H. Wright.

## Citrus Avenue Bridge Removed by Dynamite

**Expensive Concrete Structure That Was Termed "Storm-Proof" Is Being Broken Up With Heavy Blasts—Traffic Passing By in the Wash—No Details of Successor Given Out.**

Heavy detonations from charges of forty per cent dynamite are heard all over the valley at intervals, coming from the Citrus avenue concrete bridge, between Covina and Azusa, where the great structure is being removed after having been ruined by the recent floods.

The work is being carried on under the supervision of Road Overseer Barker of Azusa, and it is necessary to blow the concrete into fragments small enough for hauling away. The chunks of concrete are being used to fortify the edges of the wash. The bridge will be entirely removed, Mr. Barker says, and will probably have entirely disappeared by Saturday night.

This is one of the most expensive bridges in this end of the county, and when erected a little over two years ago, was spoken of by county engineers as a storm-proof bridge in every particular. The flood of two years ago broke its back, but it was still practicable and was repaired. The storm this month tore the structure into several sections. Just what kind of construction will take its place has not been decided upon.

## RANCHER OFFERS PROTEST AGAINST BRIDGE-BUILDING.

Editor Argus:

Dear Sir: It was with pleasure that I read your editorial in your last issue on our flood troubles. It is such an easy matter to find fault that it often becomes a habit with us, but "Thrice armed is he that hath his quarrel just."

When our supervisors put in a double bridge at Azusa avenue, and later, one and a half miles lower down at San Bernardino road, put in a single span not nearly so high, against the protests of the people, we feel that they have a right to kick.

People in this neighborhood wanted Grand avenue graded down and made a spillway to the wash, thus saving the growers from heavy damages each year. Instead of this, plans are out for another bridge which will stand in the middle of the wash, like the old one, an expensive monument of uselessness, after each flood.

If our officials were marooned a few times during these floods, without bread and butter, they would soon come around to our way of thinking that one good bridge put in so it would stay, is worth a half dozen that wont.

High approaches built of sand to a bridge only half large enough, is a menace to the country until they are washed out, which soon happens, and then we can use a sand ford until they are rebuilt again, which usually goes well into the summer before the oil is hard enough to make a decent road. Cement fords put in with the proper dip so we can calculate with some degree of certainty where the channel will be when the flood is on, are good enough for us, and with a bridge at Citrus we will have all the bridges that we want in the light of our past experience.

People are willing to forget the crowned roads that are a menace to traffic on wet days, and the little dinkey corrugated culverts that choke up every time a bit of rubbish floats into them, but when their property is in danger from the mistakes of those that are drawing big pay because they should know better, it is alarming.

The taxpayers do not feel like entrusting men with large sums of their money to spend, if they think it is not spent wisely, and just now they are getting ready to ask $3,600,000 for flood control.

The people have demonstrated that they are ever ready and willing to vote funds for the improvement of the country so long as they think that they are getting value received, but let them get the idea that they are being handed a bunch and it is all off.

MARTIN FESLER.

## CANYON GIVES UP BODY OF AZUSA TEACHER.

Pomona, Jan. 25.—Mrs. E. J. Pierce of Azusa today identified the skeleton of a woman, which was found in Live Oak canyon by Will Cowan and Earl Rummel of Lordsburg, as that of her long-lost niece, Miss Carrie Newell, who disappeared from Azusa twenty-three months ago. The identity was established by an examination of gold-filled teeth. Further proof was furnished by a check on a Glendora bank, which had been given to Miss Newell by a girl friend. The check, for $15, was found in the grass near the body.

Mrs. Pierce, and her son, Dwight, went to Lordsburg early this morning and identified the head of the skeleton, which was taken to that place by the young men who made the gruesome find near the zig-zag which leads to Brown's Flat, while picking their way through a thicket. The skeleton was clad in a gray suit and red sweater, which were the garments worn by Miss Newell when she disappeared March 5, 1914. A searching party went to Live Oak canyon early today and conveyed the skeleton to Lordsburg, and the authorities at that place turned it over to an undertaking establishment in this city. It is believed the woman, who was 43 years of age, wandered around in the canyon until she was faint from hunger and that she was possibly then killed by mountain lions.

Miss Newell was a school teacher in Colorado for years. Her health broke down and she went to reside with her aunt, Mrs. E. J. Pierce of Azusa. At no time was she in need of money, but she left Azusa and was last seen April 5, 1914, when she applied at the Andrey Boddy ranch home, near San Dimas canyon, for employment as a domestic. When they told her that they had no work for her, but that they would give her money to help her on her way, she exhibited considerable money and said all she wanted was employment.

Mrs. Pierce says that Miss Newell was subject to spells of nervousness, but she never appeared mentally unbalanced.


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### Squeaky Shoes.

While conducting a research for information on the origin of certain fashions of the past I discovered the reason for the existence of the squeak in shoes.

The squeak was once deemed fashionable, and men of great importance in the affairs of the country demanded it in their footwear, and cobblers were paid 2 shillings extra for putting it in. The squeaky boot denoted the approach of some one of importance, and the way was made clear at once in the same manner as a bicycler's shrill whistle warns you to look to your interests.

During the squeaky period men found it difficult to sneak into the house after 12 midnight without being discovered and disgraced. Removing the shoes before entering the home is an invention which followed the squeaky shoe era, and while the former is now almost obsolete, the latter is still in vogue and as popular as ever with married men.—Zim in Cartoons Magazine.

### Silly About Beasts.

You think you know something about animals, do you? Well, let us put your knowledge to a few simple tests.

Let us begin with. Can they swim with their mouths shut? Certainly they can. As a matter of fact, they always do. If they kept their mouths open they would suffocate.

Next, horses. When do they close their eyes? Answer, never. You see, they haven't any eyelids, so they can't. But they have a thin membrane, which performs the service of eyelids when they are asleep.

What is the color of a horse's eyebrows? That's a difficult one. Think hard and then learn that a horse hasn't any eyebrows.

You may like to know, in addition, that turtles and tortoises have no teeth; that parrots, unlike the majority of birds, can move both mandibles of their beaks, and that fishes never masticate. They simply haven't time between breaths.—London Answers.

### More Rope.

In July, 1836, General William Henry Harrison, who had been spoken of as a candidate for president, visited Philadelphia. Many of his political friends were at the steamboat wharf to meet and escort him to his hotel. He was placed in a four horse carriage, but after proceeding a short distance the horses became unmanageable and had to be taken out of the harness. The people began to draw the carriage, and there was a call for ropes. They were soon procured, but proved too short, and as the enthusiasm increased the cry arose, "More ropes!" and still more ropes. The Democrats saw only the funny side of the case and adopted "more ropes" as a ridiculing slogan. It did not last long and could not have hurt Harrison much, for four years later he was elected president.—Philadelphia Press.

### Skeletons.

Skeletons are used in cemeteries, laboratories and museums. After battles they are frequently bleached before being stored away for the winter.

Everybody has a skeleton, without which one would fall around like a jellyfish, and instead of going to bed at night we would have to be hung over a clotheshorse. Indeed, life without a skeleton would be one long, dreary flop.

Skeletons come in a lot of assorted bones, which are more or less securely fastened together by the department store clerk who fastened them together before they went out of the shop. When the first skeleton was constructed one of its bones got away and has caused much trouble ever since.

Some wear clothes over their skeletons.—Life.

### Tosti's Thanks.

One day a lady called on Tosti, the famous song writer, and announced her intention of singing two of his songs at a concert.

"I thought I would just run round and try them over with you," she said.

Tosti remarked that he was not in the habit of giving lessons in that manner, whereupon the lady retorted:

"Very well; I will not sing your songs then."

Tosti's face beamed as he advanced toward her with outstretched hands.

"Madam," he said, "I thank you very much for that favor."

### A Complete Job.

"Do you love me with all your soul?" breathed the temperamental maiden as she peered through the orchids with which the table was decked at the lucky fellow whose joys and sorrows she had agreed to share.

The l. f. paused for a moment while he inspected the supper check, just handed him by an obsequious menial.

"Yes, and with all my roll," he said fervently.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

### Painfully Frank.

Wedderly—They say that a man and his wife grow to look alike after they have been married a few years. Now, my wife and I have been married ten years. Do you think we look alike? Singleton—Yes, indeed. You both seem to have the same sad expression.

### Big Ones.

Fatty—Fer two pins I'd pull yer ears fer you! Shorty—Jist you try it on! You'll find you'll 'ave your 'ands full!—London Firefly.

### Pessimistic.

"What is an antiquarian, pa?"

"A man who, not satisfied with his present troubles, is looking for some in the past."

### Her Excuse.

Widow (to dressmaker)—You must really wait awhile for payment for the mourning dresses. We are still too sorrowful to consider financial matters.


# How Advertising Works

**Most people know how powerfully advertising works for the man who has something to sell.**

**Not everyone realizes how powerfully it works for the man or woman who has something to BUY.**

**Do you understand how the direct economy of national advertising benefits you?**

**Fourteen years ago grapes cost $10 a ton. Last year they cost $40. Fourteen years ago a certain widely known grape juice manufacturer was losing money. Since then he has advertised persistently. Today he is charging less for his grape juice than he did then. And yet,**

**(1) paying four times as much for his grapes.**

**(2) investing heavily in advertising and**

**(3) charging a lower price, he is now making a comfortable profit. From where did this profit come? The manufacturer himself answers this question—"Great volume at a small margin."**

"Good advertising," he says, "is an investment. Only by advertising can we secure a widespread sale. Only with a widespread sale can we afford to give low prices. The high prices of grapes justified an advance in the price of our grape juice—but there is none."

**HOW EVERYBODY GAINED BY IT**

What was the influence of advertising here?

For the manufacturer it turned a loss into a profit.

For the consumer it held down the cost of desirable food at a time when the cost of foods was rising.

For the grocer and druggist it increased business and brought new trade into their stores.

Time and time again this principle has worked out. A certain article sold for 35 cents. Investigation proved that there were about four times as many people who would pay 25 cents, as 35. And so, without lessening the quality, the manufacturer reduced the price. He knew that running his plant night and day, and producing in great quantities, he could manufacture and sell far more economically. He was right. Today the net profits on his business at the end of the year are greater than when he charged 10 cents more for his goods.

As you know, the increase since 1900 in the prices of foods has ranged from 25 to 100 per cent. But nearly all of the widely advertised foods, such as cereals, canned beans, canned soups, condensed milk, have held fast to the same prices at which you bought them ten or more years ago.

Why should advertised goods resist a raise in price? There are two reasons—one of which has already been touched upon.

**MAKING DOLLAR WATCHES**

If you were a watch maker, and turned out only ten watches a day, you could not sell them for a dollar. Suppose you made 12,000 a day. You could install rapid automatic machinery. You could purchase metal by the carload. You could place expert watch makers in charge of each department. At every turn, production in great quantities would effect savings by which you could manufacture a good, honest watch for less than a dollar. Now consider the selling. Even if you could make a dollar watch in small quantities at a considerable margin of profit, your total business on ten watches a day would not be worth while. By selling 12,000, however, you need make only a few cents on each watch in order to derive a very satisfactory income. It is this which advertising, by creating a wide sale, has actually accomplished.

**GIVING A PUBLIC BOND**

The other reason is this.

When a man writes his name on his goods he thereby indorses them. Then by advertising he puts a heavy investment behind that indorsement. He promises to be responsible. He separates himself altogether from the manufacturers who will not put their names on their handiwork, but send it out into the world like an anonymous letter, for which no one can be held responsible.

The manufacturer who, by advertising, has given the purchaser a bond dare not take liberties. He must fulfill every expectation that his advertising may have aroused or lose part of his investment. He must keep up the quality. He must make the goods make good. He must see that they are in the stores so that when he has sent you there you will not be disappointed. He knows that goods which can be **called for** by name can also be **rejected** by name if the consumer becomes prejudiced against them.

**THE NET RESULT**

Advertising standardizes prices and qualities. In this one respect—if in no other—advertising would be rendering a great service to the American public.

Advertising tends to tone inferior goods up to a higher quality in order that they may be nationally advertised. It tends to scale down excessive prices in order that they may be nationally advertised. And it is the net result of this process which counts for the benefit of the consumer.

Advertising is based on enlightened self-interest.

Self-interest for the manufacturer, because it helps him to occupy a commanding position in the markets of the world.

Self-interest for you, the consumer, because it bonds that which you buy with the full responsibility of the house which put it forth.

# The Covina Argus

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New York Sun: It behooves the people of the United States to realize that there is no nation in the world actually well disposed toward us at present. Belgium and Serbia may be grateful to us for our charitable assistance, but the dominant powers of Europe and the Orient look upon us with jealousy, distrust and half-concealed antagonism. The soft, gentle phrases of diplomacy are words used by nations to conceal their thoughts. If dark times are ahead of us, if fate ordains that the United States must defend herself, as the board of strategy seems to intimate, from powers combined in the future to our undoing, it seems at this moment as if we should be obliged to fight alone and unaided. How the most extreme pacifist can fail to perceive the immediate and thorough preparation passes comprehension. Let him consider the fact that this is today the richest country in the world and, from a military standpoint, one of the weakest, and that we cannot rely for assistance at a crisis upon any one of our so-called historic friends among the nations. Then he will perceive, perhaps, through a sudden flash of common sense, that in preaching national disarmament he is a pernicious visionary, imperilling the existence of the one country on earth that claims his allegiance.


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Said property will be sold under and by virtue of sections 3051 and 3052 of the Civil Code of the State of California, and will be sold at auction to the highest bidder for gold coin of the United States. Said property will be sold under the lien of the undersigned for a pasture bill in the sum of twenty-six dollars ($26.00), together with the costs of the sale and expenses to date of sale. (Signed) SAM KEETON.

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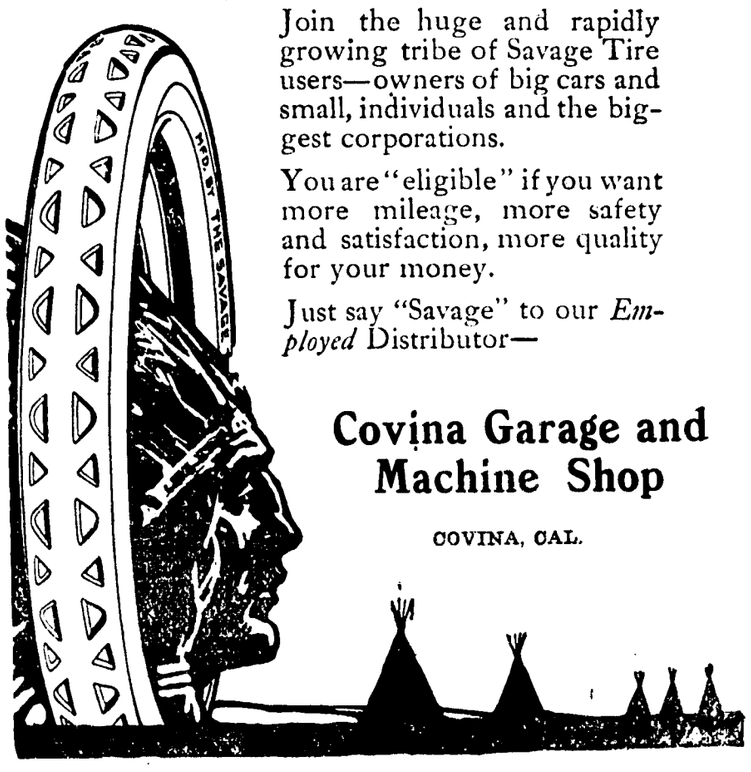


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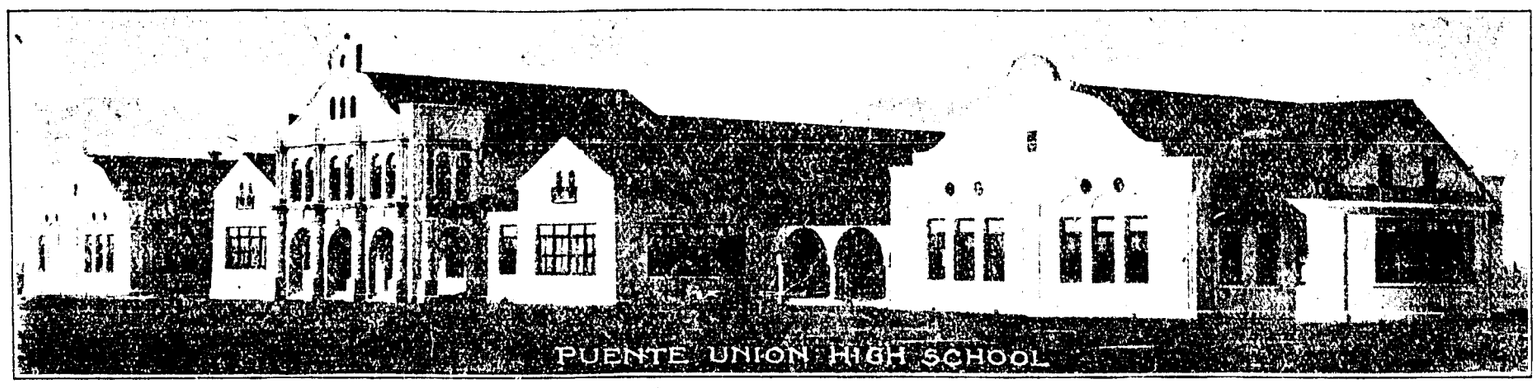


THE DEDICATION (TONIGHT) OF THIS BEAUTIFUL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING, ERECTED BY THE CITIZENS OF PUENTE AT A COST OF $80,000, HAS BEEN POSTPONED TO A FUTURE DATE ON ACCOUNT OF THE HEAVY RAINS.

## News of the Valley

### WEST COVINA.

## West Covina Ranchers Disclaim Damage

**C. J. Hurst, W. E. Newton and Others State That the Storm Has Brought Good Instead of Damage—Immense Amount of Silt and Fertilizer Washed to District From Higher Lands.**

A general survey of the country in and around the walnut district of West Covina, reveals that not near as much actual damage was done by the floods as seemed to be the case when the water was still flowing through that locality.

While it is a fact that the district had to deal with more water than in any other time since it was planted to walnut orchards, it is the opinion of a number of ranchers that the good accomplished by the floods far outweighs the damage. C. J. Hurst, one of the ranchers who has been in that district from the time of the first plantings, said this week that his ranch had not been damaged, but had been benefited, and that the roads in his locality, although very muddy, had not been washed out badly. His statement is substantiated by W. E. Newton, who says that he is more in the way of feeling grateful than otherwise. He has received a large amount of new silt on his orchard.

"I sometimes feel that some of us ranchers in West Covina should help pay for a part of the fertilizer that Covina citrus ranchers put on their groves," he said this week. "The citrus men put on fertilizer that maybe costs $40 the ton, and when a big storm comes like this one, we get the most of the fertilizer down here. The storm didn't damage my ranch any. It benefited me more than I could afford to pay if I was called upon to pay what it was worth."

Other ranches are found to be in splendid shape. Bud Maxson's ranch is one that escaped any damage, and Harry Damerel is another who received more good than damage. A small amount of cutting of the soil is to be seen on one or two ranches, and below the West Covina district the Van Wig orchard was seriously washed. A summary of the situation leads the ranchers to assert that they are better off than before the storm.

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Miss Vera Sparks, Mr. John Dorrington, and Mr. Lawrence Geiger, all of Los Angeles, will be week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Seaman and family.

Mrs. H. A. Seaman spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Bush, in Los Angeles. Mr. and Mrs. Bush were former Covina residents.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Hoar entertained a Mrs. Barrett of Colorado last week.

Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Clarke and son, Gilbert, and Mrs. Clarke, Sr., of Covina were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taschner and family.

Mrs. G. W. Dulin spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Martin, in Long Beach.

C. F. Hotchkiss of Buffalo, New York, has been visiting his brother, E. G. Hotchkiss, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lang and daughter, Virginia, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fleming in Los Angeles.

At the annual meeting of La Puente Cooperative Water Company, which is the largest pumping organization in the valley, the officers and directors were elected last Saturday as follows: president, E. G. Hotchkiss; vice-president, S. L. Watts; treasurer, First National Bank of Covina; secretary, B. M. Given; directors, E. G. Hotchkiss, S. L. Watts, W. S. Herring, C. R. Norton, and J. W. Larmer. The company is one which supplies the major portion of the West Covina district with irrigating water, and has just closed a season which has been very successful in every way.

### CHARTER OAK.

The R. H. Middleton home on Wednesday evening was the scene of a delightful surprise party, the occasion being the 70th birthday of Mr. Middleton. A party of neighbors, including Messrs. and Mmes. J .A. Doleater, O. T. Denny, G. Morris, Daniel Durkee, and the mother of the latter, spent an informal evening with Mr. and Mrs. Middleton, the ladies serving dainty refreshments. Another very pleasant surprise for Mr. Middleton was a postcard shower, in which he received over seventy-five letters and postals from friends far and near. A poem of several verses was written for the occasion by Mr. O. T. Denny and given the guest of honor. The daughter of Mr. Middleton, Miss Margaret, of Los Angeles, and two sons, R. J. and W. D. Middleton, of Michigan, the latter unable to be present, sent a beautiful gold watch to their father, also remembering their mother with a diamond ring.

Mr. Middleton is very well known in the valley, having lived here for many years, during which time he has been active in public affairs, being for several years a member of the directorate of the Charter Oak Citrus Association.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sprague spent Wednesday with their raughter, Mrs. C. H. Traweek, and family of Pasadena.

### IRWINDALE.

C. H. Clark, who has been spending the past month on his ranch here, has returned to his home in Ash Fork, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. James Scott and Miss Ella Scott of Los Angeles were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John Lang. Mr. and Mrs. Scott remained over during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. McClintock and son, Lloyd, of Walnut, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Baldosser.

Mrs. O. M. Baughman, who has been staying with her daughter during her illness in the Angelus hospital, spent a few days at her home here this week.

B. Miller motored from his home in Anaheim to Irwindale last Saturday to look over the damage done to his ranch on Vincent street by the recent floods. Mr. Miller made the trip through Brea canyon and found the roads very muddy, but he came through without trouble.

### BALDWIN PARK.

Mrs. C. H. Van Antwerp and house guest, Miss Errion of Oklahoma City, were recent guests of Mrs. L. A. Murphy at a luncheon and meeting of the Friday Morning Club in Los Angeles. The meeting was one of the most important of the year and was greatly appreciated by the guests.

Mrs. Daniels has been elected president of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church to fill the vacancy made by the removal of Mrs. Kleindinst and her family to Sawtelle.

F. T. Heintz is again able to be up and around after a severe attack of the grippe.

### GRAMMAR SCHOOL NOTES.

There was no school on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, owing to the flood which did so much damage throughout all parts of the country.

The delinquent cards came out this Tuesday, bringing much sorrow to those who received them, and joy to those who did not.

The tests which determine the mid-year promotions will begin on Monday, Jan. 31. The promotions will be on Monday, Feb. 7.

—Ruth Watson.

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### BIRTHDAY THEATER PARTY BY MASTER LETCHWORTH.

An entertainment of a nunique nature, to celebrate the fourteenth birthday of Pryor Letchworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Letchworth of Penjerrick ranch, was given last Saturday afternoon at the Star theater in Covina, with 200 or more young friends of the host gathered to enjoy it.

The theater was given over to this special matinee, and the bulk of the audience was made up of school children, classmates and friends of Master Letchworth. The beautiful little theater was comfortably filled.

Just before the motion picture program, the manager, Mrs. Lulu A. Dietz, surprised the audience and the young host by throwing a pretty slide on the screen, which conveyed in well-chosen words the congratulations appropriate for the occasion. Two comedies were shown, the first being Billy Rhodes and Neal Burns in "When a Man's Fickle," and the second, Charlie Chaplin in a very funny skit, "In the Park." This was followed by a five-reel drama, "Mistress Nell," with Mary Pickford in the title role. The program was very much appreciated by all present.

Souvenir programs were distributed by the manager of the theater, and there were many little touches of thoughtfulness that made the occasion one long to be remembered by the young host and his friends. The orchestra led the audience in singing "America" and "Auld Lang Syne."

### BUSINESS PROSPECTS BRIGHT IN EASTERN STATES.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Bright prospects for business throughout the country, in striking contract with conditions at this time a year ago, are pictured in statistics and standards committee report made public tonight by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

"There are localities where much caution and conservatism yet remain," says the report, "and the influence of high prices for the future further accentuates this caution, because dealers feel that high prices will curtail buying by the consumers.

"Broadly speaking, it may be said that the spirit of optimism and hopefulness prevails to a degree that has not been apparent for nearly a decade and the general belief and expectation is for such prosperity during 1916 as will recompense the people of this country for all their past misfortunes."

### BRUSH FENCE PROVES BEST PROTECTION AGAINST FLOOD.

Azusa Pomotropic: The experience gained by Manager C. A. Griffith in his private flood control work on the Griffith ranch has been of immense value to the whole valley and has also served to save that ranch from the harm of flood waters.

Following the last flood, a double row of barbed wire fence was built along the San Dimas wash on that ranch, the fences being four feet apart. The space between was filled with brush and this week when the flood waters came down the wash silt was deposited in the brush. As a result a solid bank was made which held through the entire storm and no part of the bank was washed.

Mr. Griffith believes that this test has proved the worth of the construction and plans to protect the rest of the ranch along the wash in the same way. The cost of the improvement is cheap as it only requires cedar fence posts and barbed wire. Most every ranch furnishes enough brush from prunings for the filled between the fences. It is well worth the time of every rancher to visit the ranch and see the construction of the fences, which in reality make a dike four feet wide and offer an excellent bar to the washing of flood water.

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Mrs. C. F. Fingerle returned the first of the week from a visit with friends in Kingsburg, in the northern part of the state.

### Industrial Courts.

As long ago as 1806 France created industrial courts, and the example has been followed by Germany, Switzerland, Italy and Belgium. A president, who represents the public, and an equal number of workers and employers sit as a jury rather than as a court. Lawyers are barred. The parties to the dispute take turns relating grievance and defense, and in consequence of this simplicity 90 per cent of the cases are adjusted without formal hearings. In event of threatened strikes or lockouts the courts have the power to sit as boards of arbitration, and it is only in rare cases that satisfactory agreements are not reached.

Compare the simplicity of this procedure with the American method of frequent trials, frequent appeals, reversed decisions, remanded cases, court costs, lawyers' fees and months of delay, a gantlet that no poor man dares to run. The dollar out of which an alien is cheated may mean to him the difference between a bed or a park bench, and certainly his sense of injustice will not inspire him with respect for democratic institutions—George Creel in Century.

### A Thief's Answer.

The secretary of the New York Prison association tells of the answer a thief gave to the question, "Is honesty the best policy?" It was in the Elmira reformatory, where a class was undergoing instruction. A young man asked permission to answer the question. "I believe honesty is the best policy," said he, "because of a case where I knew it to work that way. See? There was two young fellows in New York, and they was crooked. See? And they didn't succeed. They went to Philadelphia, and they turned over a new leaf and agreed to be square and honest. They opened a clothing store. See? And they prospered. They got everybody's confidence, and they borrowed $100,000 to enlarge their business, and then they failed and got away with every cent of the money, which they never could have done if they hadn't been honest. See?"

### Jefferson's Letter.

A few lines written by Jefferson to a friend in a foreign country ruined the warm friendship which had existed between him and Washington. The letter is known historically as "Jefferson's letter."

Jefferson sent a letter to Philip Mazzei, an Italian, in April, 1796. Mazzei published an Italian translation of it in Florence the next year. It was retranslated into French and published in French newspapers, from which it found its way into the British papers and to America.

In this letter Jefferson opposed the Jay treaty, and commented freely against Washington and his administration as Anglican, monarchical and aristocratic. This letter destroyed Washington's faith in Jefferson.

### Italy's Marriage Brokers.

Marriage brokers are a regular institution in Italy. In Genoa there are several marriage brokers who have pocketbooks filled with the names of the marriageable girls of the different classes, with notes of their figures, personal attractions, fortunes and other circumstances. These brokers go about endeavoring to arrange matrimonial alliances in the same offhand mercantile manner which they would bring to bear upon a purely business transaction, and when they succeed they get a commission of 2 or 3 per cent upon the dowry and sometimes a bonus as well.

### Fussiness In Architecture.

A great vice that is creeping into American architecture of interiors today is an exaggeration of tiny details. Moldings are multiplied until they become liney and disturbing. Every little plain surface is paneled in most tiresome fashion. It is as if draftsmen had come to hate a white spot on a piece of paper or a blank space on a wall and to feel obliged to cover every bit of their drawings with something, preferably mere lines. As a result the architecture as executed is endlessly tricked out, fussy and finicky—mere virtuosity.—Architectural Record.

### China, Japan and Religion.

The religion of China is Confucianism, an ethical system founded by Confucius about 550 B. C. Another religion which has a large following is Taoism, and a form of Buddhism is followed by many.

In Japan the chief religion is that of Buddha, which is, however, comparatively modern. Another and older faith exists, called Shinto or Shinsyu. The word shinto is equivalent to spirit worship.


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### THE VALUE OF "PATIENT PUBLICITY."

President Wilson's administration, in the first flush of its dawn into public light, fashioned the phrase, "pitiless publicity," which is fine as a phrase. But when it comes to the exploitation of a state, county, city or civic organization, we believe the phrase "patient publicity," should be adopted and adhered to. If you want to know why, read the facts below:

A young man by the name of Rathbun in Los Angeles, a good newspaper writer, with the ability to dig out the striking parts of every event, was made press and publicity man for the 1915 general committee that entertained and advertised during the exposition year just closed. His stunt was to see that eastern publications of all kinds were kept apprised of facts occurring in Los Angeles city and county.

Newspapers are very shy of mimeograph letters, near-typewriting letters and personal-to-you boosts for this, that and the other thing. The floor around the city editor's desk is ankle-deep every day with special pleas that are sent out from God only knows how many bureaus. Weekly and monthly magazines look with great distaste on the special story about somebody's town or pet project, unless it happens that the town or project is carrying page advertisements in the magazine at the rate of anywhere from $100 to $6000 per page per issue.

But Rathbun went patiently at the task. He threw some ginger and enthusiasm into the work. He had the great exposition to talk about, and incidentally the many conventions that came to Los Angeles, and how they were treated by the lovely city of angels in the semi-tropic southland.

Rathbun has recently made a report to the committee. He had articles in magazines in 33 states, 94 magazines in all, with 186 photographs. He got into the newspapers in 38 states, 358 newspapers in all, with 432 stories, 219 photographs. He got smaller news-items into 48 states in 7,441 newspapers, 145 different items in all. He sent a continuous serve of news to 48 states, 1700 items in all, appearing in 1280 newspapers. He received 185 requests from editors for continuous service.

The cost of this publicity, if paid for at the regular rates of the publications that printed it would be fifty times the outlay of the committee for publicity. The county spent $4,000 for this news-bureau, and it is estimated that it brought in results to the tune of $215,000, based on advertising rates. One item of 19,500 columns of miscellaneous news about Los Angeles county, at the rate of $10 the column would have amounted to $195,000.

The best results from this publicity will come in the next few years. Rathbun, the young newspaper writer of Los Angeles, has headed many an eastern family this way.

### WHO'S BEHIND THE PORK BARREL?

Trying to touch Uncle Sam for a million or two and upwards is the highest aim of many of our dignified and broad-domed members of congress. And the fault lies with the people, not with the members of congress. If you make pork-barrel methods unpopular with the people, the members of the house will work passionately to do away with those methods. The motto of the representative is: We aim to please.

But if an agitation is started to build a hundred thousand dollar postoffice at Covina or Charter Oak, and the agitation is strong enough, the member representing the district puts in his bid for the appropriation. And if the merits of the question become ever so slightly an issue, the congressman behind the question reminds his fellow-members that they are looking for his vote on similar raids on Uncle Sam's pocket, and automatically the opposition dies of inanition.

That's the explanation of pork-barrel politics, and reprehensible as it is, it is a system, and a system which has been in operation for a long time, all political parties being tarred with the same stick.

When your local chamber of commerce, or your city or county or congressional district will fight against the proposal of undue and unnecessary expenditure in its own district, then pork-barrel methods will disappear like a wraith of vapor. The building of national ship-building plants on creeks that won't float a ship when it is built; the tooth-and-nail fighting to maintain obsolete and useless army posts in peaceful interior districts; the dredging of rivers that never can be made navigable; the building of too expensive federal buildings in unimportant towns; the appropriation year after year of money to dredge harbors instead of diverting and minimizing the flow of mountain water and silt—all these futilities come from the pressure of the people. The congressman is the creature who acts. He will act differently when he is instructed differently.

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Good times may come around the corner and catch you grouching about how rotten business is. It's about time to put on a new record.

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If you think nothing can be done with this flood question, remember old Noah. He made good.

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The difference between a job and a salary is largely that the man with the job doesn't have as many expenses.

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Eat a few navel oranges yourself. You'll be surprised to find how good they are right now.

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We didn't need the extra rain this week at all. But if we had the say-so about the weather, we'd probably get in bad with a lot of people in a short space of time.

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There are more automobiles per capita in Los Angeles county than anywhere else in the United States. We raise from thirty to fifty million dollars' worth of oranges and spend about the same amount for automobiles.

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The potato doesn't get as much free advertising as the orange, but we notice that spud proceeds are building new homes for ranchers all over the Puente and West Covina districts.

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A big economic slack could be taken up if our high schools were to fit a boy or girl to take a job for real money as soon as the diploma had been filed in the bureau drawer.

# THF FLOOD QUESTION

## Is it a Gigantic Task to Control Wild Water in the San Gabriel Valley--Or is it a Practical Question of Hard Work and Common Sense?

This is not the time to criticize any effort or lack of efforts in the past in controlling the flood waters of this valley. What has been done, or what has not been done, will not bring us any relief.

But we should profit by the mistakes of past years. If we do not profit by them, we do not deserve protection. In the last eight years we have experienced three devastating floods, and these floods have each left the same lessons to be learned. Ranchers in the valley know these lessons. They are convinced that a united effort, based on the experiences of the past, will bring relief and security from damage. It can be done if the way is cleared for practical work.

The work which confronts us can be summed up as follows:

1. The straightening of the washes. The swerving of the water from side to side in the washes, which results in the washing away of valuable land is caused because of the crooked channel, as every person in the valley knows, and this gets worse each year. A great deal of practical straightening can be done. It is not a complex engineering problem.

2. Maintenance of the washes at approxmately their present width. This means that the channel be wide enough at all places to carry the maximun flow of water.

3. The building of a retaining wall of wire and posts the entire length of every large wash: the planting of Lombardy poplar saplings between the posts, which in a few years will form a barrier that no wash will break. These saplings should never be allowed to grow to a height exceeding six or eight feet.

5. The building of concrete or macadamized "dips" into the washes at places where many bridges are now built. It is highly important that we get rid of many culverts and bridges. The building of these bridges and culverts in many places has been the gravest mistake that has been made. These dips or fords must be graduated down from the boulevards and streets, with long wings extending out from them, connecting with the wire retaining walls.

These are the essentials that will bring protection. You can't control the flood-waters of the Sierra Madre watershed so that absolutely no damage will be done anywhere. But practical work will cut the damage down to a point where it will not be the serious menace it is at present.

With any project of this kind of a sensible nature, with power authorized to proceed, I will cooperate heartily, and will give time, energy and newspaper space to make it a success.

J. L. MATTHEWS.

## Reagan is Appointed Flood Control Expert

**Supervisors Create Storm of Their Own in Discussing Ways and Means of Launching Project—Board is Divided on Question of Procedure, But Hamilton, Norton and Hinshaw Win.**

Los Angeles, January 25.—The controversy over the creation of the department of county engineer, in which the board of supervisors has been engaged for the last three or four months, reached a climax yesterday when by a vote of three to two the ordinance introduced by Supervisor Hamilton was adopted.

The storm center was reached when Supervisor Norton, declaring that Pridham and Woodley were influenced by an "invisible government," and that the opinions of the county counsel's office were usually shaped to suit their purposes, was interrupted by Woodley with the retort, "Mr. Norton, you know that you are absolutely lying when you make that statement."

Mr. Norton paid little attention to the remark, other than to repeat the charge, and accused Pridham and Woodley of seeking to delay flood control operations. He declared that the real reason for their opposition to this ordinance was the fact that an engineer of their own choosing had not been selected for county engineer, and inferentially held them responsible for much of the flood damage that was caused by the recent storm.

The ordinance which was adopted provides for the appointment of a county engineer and for a staff of assistants. The county engineer is to take charge of flood control work until such time as bonds are voted under the Baker act, which will permit of the organization of a flood control district.

Immediately following the adoption of the ordinance, Supervisor Hamilton put through a motion appointing Jas. W. Reagan to the office, and then in quick succession came two more motions from the same source—one appropriating $10,000 for conducting the department of county engineer, and the other appropriating $50,000 to be advanced to the Los Angeles county flood control district until such time as the county may be reimbursed from the proceeds of the sale of flood control bonds. In case the bonds are not voted by the people, the county is to get back its money through a special tax levy on the district.

All of these propositions were carried by the same vote—three to two—Hamilton, Norton and Hinshaw voting in the affirmative, and Pridham and Woodley taking their stand in opposition to all of them.

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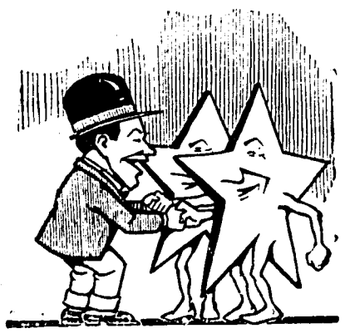

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# LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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Mrs. Thos. Traweek spent Friday and Saturday with relatives in Pasadena.

Picture framing, kodak finishing and enlarging at C. W. Tucker's studio.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Luffier on the 22nd, a boy.

Hoyt Leisure of Los Angeles was in Covina on business Tuesday.

Kyle Pollard and Clarence Rust spent Tuesday evening with friends in San Gabriel.

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Miss Hattie Bashor of Compton is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Oscar Miller and Miss Julia Bashor.

Eastman kodaks, Brownies, Premo, Graflex cameras and all the supplies for sale at C. W. Tucker's studio.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Potter will attend an anniversary dinner in Los Angeles Sunday.

The ladies of the Bridge Club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Carroll Webb at her home on North Citrus avenue.

Dance and social given by the ladies of the Sacred Heart church at the Woman's club-house, Saturday evening, Jan. 29th. Come. 1t

Watch for announcements of motion pictures of the "Death Valley Dodge Car," to be shown February 12 at the Woman's club-house. 2-11

Cafeteria supper next Friday night at the Methodist church, followed by entertainment by Mr. and Mrs. William Rasmus. 1t

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Case entertained at luncheon on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Flick of Alhambra, Mrs. Alexander of Albany, Oregon, and Miss Claire Fairfax of Portland, Oregon.

Mrs. M. Havlin and daughters, Beatrice and Frances, have returned from Anaheim, and expect to make their home in Covina again. Mrs. Havlin is in charge of the Sidwell apartments.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson McFarland, who for the past month have been visiting their brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Pierce, and other relatives, leave today for their home in Chicago.

You can get a 55c, 1 quart size aluminum sauce pan for only 25c at McClellan & Larkin's hardware. Made of 99% pure aluminum, guaranteed for 20 years.

P. E. Doughty, local agent for the Dodge automobile, reports the sale of a Dodge roadster to E. E. Gard of Glendora, and a Dodge touring car to J. P. Overholtzer.

The members of the Amphion Club will meet Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. E. P. Warner. Mrs. Warner will be assisted by Mrs. F. C. Devendorf and Mrs. W. M. Griswold.

Don't forget the social and dance at the Woman's club-house, Saturday evening, Jan. 29th, given by the ladies of the Sacred Heart Church. Admission 50c. Busch's orchestra, refreshments. 1t

Ladies' Aid will serve cafeteria dinner at 6 o'clock Friday evening next week, followed by an entertainment of dramatic readings from "The Music Master" by Mr. and Mrs. William Rasmus. They are remembered for their appearance here in readings from Marie Corelli's "Barabbas." 1t

A large party of Covina ladies were invited guests at a luncheon given by Mrs. E. P. Hubbard, at her home in Los Angeles. Mrs. Hubbard was formerly of Azusa, and is very well known throughout the valley. Mesdames W. H. Collins, J. R. Elliott, Wm. Crook, F. C. Devendorf, R. M. Douglass, J. J. Morgan, F. M. Chapman, Sr., R. M. Philleo, A. L. Philleo, E. A. Cooper, W. M. Griswold, E. V. Rice, G. D. Jennings, E. G. Prather, F. H. Fabrick, J. H. Simpson, D. Reichard, F. M. Douglass of Hollywood, Mrs. E. H. Lahee of Los Angeles, formerly of Covina, were among those present.

The first leap year party of the season was given by Misses Selma and Minnie Zug at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Zug, on East Cypress avenue, last Friday evening. The guests spent a delightful evening with games and music, and at a late hour were served to dainty refreshments by the hostesses. Those present were Misses Marie Woody and Anna Heard from Lordsburg, Misses Thelma Mitchell, Belle and Alta Fesler, Mabel and Esther Funk, Donnie Hammers, Anna and Lulu Hamilton, Vernie and Gladys Johnson, Anna Layman of Covina, and Miss Effie Puttle, a house guest of the Zug family from Indiana; Messrs. Charles Overholtzer, Harper Frantz and Elliott Thomas of Lordsburg, Leland Brubaker of Glendora, Chalmer and Rolland Shaver, Lee Bashore, Elmer Boots, Arthur Ulmer, Robert Runtan, Dave Saul, George Wilson, Lester Seib, Carmel Kring, Charles Zug and Si Overholtzer of Covina.

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25c will buy a 55c aluminum sauce pan at McClellan & Larkin's this week.

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Miss Josie Reynolds visited Mrs. Alice Leisure in Los Angeles the first of the week.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Nevell and daughters, the Misses Celo and Ella, of Los Angeles, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Potter and family.

Busch's orchestra will furnish music for the dance by the ladies of the Sacred Heart church at the Club House, Saturday, Jan. 29th. 1t

Miss Alberta Cour and Miss Hazel Clifford of San Gabriel are spending the week-end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Clifford.

Mrs. James Craigmiles and baby of Colton are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Laura A. Shirley, of Howard street.

Watch for announcements of motion pictures of the "Death Valley Dodge Car," to be shown February 12 at the Woman's club-house. 2-11

Philip Leighton returned today from Claremont college to spend the coming week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Leighton.

Be sure and save next Friday night for the cafeteria supper at the Methodist church at 6 o'clock. Followed by an entertainment by Mr. and Mrs. William Rasmus. 1t

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Mrs. C. A. Leighton entertained Miss Josephine Weeks, and the Misses Naomi and Margaret Glick of Los Angeles on Sunday. The Misses Glick remained over until Tuesday evening.

Mr. John Caddell returned Thursday from two weeks spent in Walsenburg, Colo., being called there by the death of his brother. Mrs. Caddell will remain a month or six weeks visiting friends and relatives.

I. G. Reynolds, local agent for the Buick, reports the delivery of a light six roadster to Mrs. J. C. Wright of Glendora. The car is fully equipped and has in addition red wire wheels, which makes a striking appearance. Mr. Reynolds recently sold Mrs. Wright a seven-passenger touring car.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Ricketts arrived from St. Paul Wednesday to spend several months at their home on Center street. Mrs. Ricketts is a sister of the late Mrs. A. L. Chamberlain. Mr. Ricketts had his Franklin automobile shipped from St. Paul to use in making local trips through California.

### LADIES OF SACRED HEART TO HOLD DANCE AND SOCIAL.

The ladies of the Sacred Heart church will give a dance and social at the Woman's club-house, Saturday evening, Jan. 29th. Busch's orchestra will furnish the music. Everybody is welcome. Admission 50c apiece. No extra charge for refreshments of home-made delicacies. 1t


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### WORK AMONG JAPANESE SHOWS PROMISING RESULTS.

A communication from one of the missionary workers among the Japanese in this valley has been received, and is as follows:

The Japanese missionary work has found the much-needed headquarters. They will soon move into the Daniels house on South Orange avenue. Mr. Nagata will take up his residence there so he can always be found. Many come to consult him on business matters. Then when you are in a strange land and cannot speak the language, a friend who can is indeed a friend in time of sickness.

The two large rooms the ladies will fit up for a gathering place for the women's work. If you have a table or chairs or other household things to spare let some member of the committee know. The work needs everybody's help.

Mr. Nagata's last report showed very much visiting in the homes, with Bible studies and little services. The children keep up a splendid attendance in Sunday-school in spite of sickness and bad weather.

The last committee meeting had a very enthusiastic attendance. The ladies discussed the idea of a general valley federation, but were afraid it would draw from the local work. They are growing so proud and enthusiastic over the local work that they decided Covina should try to use all Mr. Nagata's time here.

### WORKMEN ARE CLEARING SAND FROM BOULEVARD.

A larger fill of sand and debris is to be seen this year in the locality of the boulevard bridge in Irwindale than was the case two years ago agter the big floods. Sand has filled in on the ranches adjacent to the bridge until it has just about half buried the orange trees.

The county workmen, reinforced by local ranchers with their teams, have been working steadily since the rain stopped. Dirt that has been shovelled out of the boulevard is piled six feet high along the sides of the street.

The bridge has been temporarily repaired with heavy timbers, and a temporary wooden approach made. An enormous amount of sand and debris must be carted away from the vicinity of the bridge before the place will assume anything like a normal condition.

### COVINA TENNIS TEAM WINS FROM SAN DIMAS.

Irven Reynolds and Tom Finch, doubles team for the Covina Tennis Club, met Cyril Platt and C. E. Dunbar of the San Dimas Tennis Club on the local courts Saturday afternoon, winning handily by the score 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

The contest was witnessed by a good gallery of tennis fans. In the second set and the first two games of the deciding round, the visitors made a strong rally and had a chance to win, but with the third set two games against them, Finch and Reynolds started their drive and won easily. This was one of the few days this month that the courts were in shape to play on, and the lack of practice may account for the erratic tennis displayed in spots.

The regular monthly meeting of the local club will be held in the Covina Fruit Exchange office Monday evening, Jan. 31, at 7 o'clock.


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## HIGH SCHOOL PREPARING FOR TRACK EVENTS.

(By Wilbur Nye.)

A track has been constructed by the track squad, and on pleasant afternoons one can see several young men loping around the course. The track schedule for this season is as follows: January 27 and 28, interclass; February 25, Monrovia, Citrus, and Covina, at Monrovia; February 5 to 17, Citrus and Covina, alternating at each; Feb. 12, Bonita and Covina, at Bonita; Feb. 19, South Pasadena, Whittier and Covina, at Covina; March 11, United Student Body Confederation meet, all-day at Alhambra; March 18, Central League at Alhambra.

February 4th, at Citrus, will be held an extemporaneous speaking contest. Schools taking part are Covina, Citrus, El Monte, Chaffey, one representative from each being allowed a ten-minute speech on a topic selected from the general subject of high school athletics.

Yesterday afternoon the first rehearsal for the opera was held. The school is taking an interest in this event this year, as it is ambitious in its scope, and will be something different from what has ever before been given at the school.

Next week the Tuskagee Institute singers will give a program Thursday afternoon before the school.

Carmel Kring has entered school after an absence of several months. We are glad to welcome him back into the ranks.

Helen Patten of the senior class, whose arm was badly burned in the chemistry laboratory a week ago, is reported as improving.

The second quarter examinations are being held this week and next. The school year is nearly half gone, and most of us are becoming accustomed to study.

## CITRUS PROFITS CUT BY LONG MARKET HAUL.

Long Beach Press: The grower of citrus fruits realizes only about twenty-five cents net on every dollar, gross, that consumers pay for Southern California oranges and lemons. Of the $75,000,000 to $85,000,000 annually paid by the American consumer for California citrus fruits, the growers get about $30,000,000, and out of this they must pay the cost of production and of preparing the fruit for shipment. This seems like an inadequate return for the grower. But, under present methods of transportation and distribution, seemingly this is about the high-water mark of possible net yield for the grower.

California is under the disadvantage of being a long distance from its principal markets, thus entailing huge aggregate costs of transportation. Whether or not the Panama canal will have the effect of reducing railroad freight rates on oranges and lemons from this state remains to be seen. It would seem that fifty per cent, or more, of the gross returns from our citrus crops should remain here in California, as net profits to growers. But there will have to be radical changes in methods of transporting and marketing the crop before this can be.

## FOURTEEN TOWNS UNITE ON ORANGE SHOW EXHIBIT.

The Associated Chambers of Commerce of the San Gabriel valley have arranged for the exhibit which will be displayed at San Bernardino at the National orange show. The exhibit will be contributed to by all the towns of the San Gabriel valley, numbering fourteen in all.

It is expected that, by pooling interests in exhibiting, the valley will stand an excellent chance of recognition. The Pacific Electric railroad is working in conjunction with their organization. The expense is made very low for each town, the amount to be raised by Covina being $30.

## RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas it has pleased the heavenly Father to take from us our sister in Christ, Mrs. Eva Reed, and Mrs. Esther Scalf, and fellow-workers in the Woman's Home missionary society, the Woman's Foreign missionary society, and Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist Episcopal church;

Therefore be it resolved that we bear grateful testimony to their fidelity and worth, the inspiration of their example and the lessons of their patience and their faith.

Resolved that while we shall miss them from our council, we sorrow most for those who feel their loss more keenly, and to them offer tender sympathy, with prayer for comfort and sustaining grace.

Resolved that this testimony be recorded in the minutes of the societies and a copy sent to the families in token of our kind remembrance, and also to the Covina Argus for publication.

Committee: Delight Lee, Janie Ross, Alice Jones, Delia Matthews.

Miss Mabel White, piano teacher, has changed her studio to 236 San Bernardino road. Pupils may arrange for lessons on Fridays or Saturdays. Phone 360. tf

### The Worm Turned.

"You haven't done very well this month," said the boss. "Your orders were few and far between."

"I'm sorry," said the traveling salesman, "but"—

"I don't want excuses. I want orders."

Just then the door opened, and the secretary entered and passed in a card.

"Humph," said the boss, "James Henry, salesman for the General Products company! Doesn't he know I never see traveling men at this hour?"

"He says he is in a hurry to leave town and would like to explain his proposition to you. He will be brief."

"I can't see him now. I'm busy. Tell him to wait."

"When shall I tell him to call again?"

"Tell him to wait there and I'll see him in about an hour. Now, then, young man, why is it that you fell down this month?"

"Because all the business men I called on insisted on treating your salesman the way you treat theirs."—Exchange.

### Baking a Watch.

Only the best made chronometer would ever survive the tests made at the Royal observatory, Greenwich. Usually there are about 200 watches under examination for use in the royal navy. On certain occasions there is a complete trial of chronometers open to all makers who have sufficient confidence in their watches being able to withstand the severity of the tests. During the competition the watches are exposed to every possible variation of temperature. They are baked in furnaces sufficiently hot to cook a joint. In fact, so great is the heat that a badly made watch has been known to tumble to pieces during the baking test. The moment a watch is taken out of the oven it is plunged into mixtures registering 40 degrees of frost. To such perfection has the manufacture of some chronometers attained that even the most stringent tests fail to cause the slightest variation.—London Telegraph.

### Making Pastel Colors.

The lack of permanency of pastel pictures is largely due, according to Birge Harrison, to the bad quality of the materials employed. Unscrupulous manufacturers dip sticks of white chalk into liquid baths of brilliant but ephemeral dyes, and pictures produced with these soon fade. Writing in Art and Progress, Mr. Harrison says artists should make their own pastels, a process that is very easy.

"The materials used," he says, "are precipitated chalk mixed with the best dry powdered colors in the proportions necessary to produce the various tints desired. This impalpable powder is moistened to the consistency of a thick paste by the addition of an extremely dilute solution of gum tragacanth and water. It is then very thoroughly kneaded and finally pressed or rolled into sticks of the desired size."

### Dogs In Moccasins.

After the first severe freeze at the beginning of winter a band of prospectors working in northern Canada found themselves on the wrong side of a lake over a hundred miles wide, on the other side of which was the winter headquarters.

They were without any means of transportation other than a boat in which was stored all their belongings and provisions. Hiring a halfbreed with his dog team, they put runners under the boat and made their way easily and safely across the smooth miles of frozen water, helping along the dogs by setting a sail on the boat. To protect the feet of the dogs from the hard surface of the ice small moccasins of buckskin, well padded, were provided for each.

### Greece Only an Oligarchy.

Greece, as many people do not know, is a country managed by 500 families who hate one another like poison in true classic Greek fashion. The peasants, the hack drivers and the fishermen talk radical politics all day long, but when election day comes they vote for a member of one of these big aristocratic—namely, "best" in the Greek sense—families. A republic for Greece would mean anarchy, chaos.—World's Work.

### Bored Audience.

"Mr. Jaggs never opened his mouth while his wife was entertaining her guests the other night."

"Oh, yes, he did several times."

"I didn't hear him. What did he say?"

"Nothing. He yawned."—Baltimore American.

### The Clove Tree.

The limbs of the clove tree being very brittle, a peculiar four sided ladder is used in stripping the tree. As fast as the buds are collected they are spread in the sun until they assume a brownish color, when they are put into the storehouse ready for market.

### Curious Request.

A doctor in the country received one day a letter from an old woman asking for a bottle of cough mixture for her husband, ending with the postscript:

"Please, sir, don't make it too strong, as the poor man has only got one leg."—London Tit-Bits.

### Different From Her Ma.

He—Why is it that there's never a match in this house? She (curtly)—I can't make matches. He—That's strange. Your mother could.—Boston Transcript.

### That's So.

"I hear strange sounds in my ears, doctor."

"Well, where would you expect to hear them?"—Boston Transcript.

### The Equinoctial Storm Fiction.

The widespread belief in the existence of an equinoctial storm and Indian summer comes, to a certain extent, under the head of popular superstitions. If the equinoctial storm is defined as a rainstorm, lasting at least three days and occurring within two or three days of the 21st of September, then there is very seldom a year when several equinoctial storms do not occur. The reason for the belief in an equinoctial storm is probably the fact that about that time of the year the first storms of the winter type, with steadily falling precipitation, make their appearance. They stand in sharp contrast to the summer type with the sultry weather and thunder showers. Storms of the winter type can occur, however, during any month of the summer. The amount of precipitation near the 21st has been shown by averaging the observations at many stations to be no greater than before or after this date.—Willis Ishliester Milham in Meteorology.

### Monster Petticoats.

During the reign of Charles I. the hoop petticoat was worn only by wives of the lower gentry and by the wives of the citizens. In the latter part of the reign of Queen Anne it rose again, this time in another form—that of an enormous hoop. This grew to such immense proportions that during the time of George I. and II. eight yards was considered the proper width.

These hoops had outstanding steel or whalebone foundations at the bottom of the skirt. In Elizabeth's time this whalebone had been used at the top, near the waist, enlarging the hips for several feet. Addison expressed himself about the subject as follows through his Sir Roger de Coverley:

"My great-great-grandmother has on a new fashioned petticoat, except that hers is gathered at the waist. My grandmother appears as if she stood in a large drum, whereas the ladies now walk as if they were in a gocart."

### A Strange Rock Dweller.

One of the strangest creatures known to science is the pholas, or boring clam. When still very minute the animal bores into the sandstone ledges at extreme low water, by means of its sharp shell, which is replaced by secretions as it is worn away. It penetrates the rock to a depth of six or eight inches and hollows out its burrows as it increases in size. Shaped roughly like a top, it could not leave its rock dwelling even if it wished to do so. For food it depends on the animalcules that float in sea water, which it seizes by its long siphon, or tongue. The pholas is in great demand at the seaside resorts along the Pacific coast, for its meat is very tender and makes excellent soup. The clams are dislodged in great numbers from the ledges by the use of dynamite, although it is possible to obtain them with a pick or crowbar.—Exchange.

### Mexico City Is Aged.

Mexico City is traditionally nearly 600 years old. It was founded when the Aztecs settled on an island near Lake Tezcoco. Cortez practically destroyed the city in 1521. From this time on there was hardly a break in the ordinary events until 1692, when there was a revolt against Spanish rule. Later it was the scene of many revolutions and much bloody fighting until the iron rule of Porfirio Diaz made revolutions for thirty years somewhat unprofitable ventures. In the war between the United States and Mexico the principal movement of the American troops was directed against Mexico City. After capturing the hill of Chapultepec by assault General Scott occupied the city Sept. 14, 1847.

### The Word Tramway.

Tramway is the term applied in Great Britain to all kinds of street railroads, whether using horses, engines, a cable or electricity. The word tram originally meant a log or stump. The evolution of the word into modern English use is given as: End—fragment—stump—log—pole—bar—beam—rail. In the earliest forms of railroads the tracks consisted of trams of wood or flat stones, at a later period of wooden stringers covered with strap iron and lastly of iron rails.

### Encouraging Sign.

"How are you getting along with Miss Gadder?"

"Oh, first rate."

"What makes you think you are making some progress in her regard?"

"Well, when I first started to calling she played the phonograph practically all the time. Now the machine frequently remains idle for as long as twenty minutes."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

### Doomed.

"I like to see a smart, well educated woman," said young De Sapp, "but I wouldn't want to marry one who knows more than I do."

"Too bad," rejoined Miss Swift. "I'm sorry to hear that you intend to remain a bachelor all your life."—Indianapolis Star.

### One Form of It.

Grubbs—They tell me Blinks is very much interested in music. Stubbs—I suppose he must be. At any rate, he is an expert at blowing his own horn.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

### Sightseeing.

On a visit to his grandmother Harry examined her handsome furniture with interest and then asked, "Grandma, where is the miserable table that papa says you always keep?"

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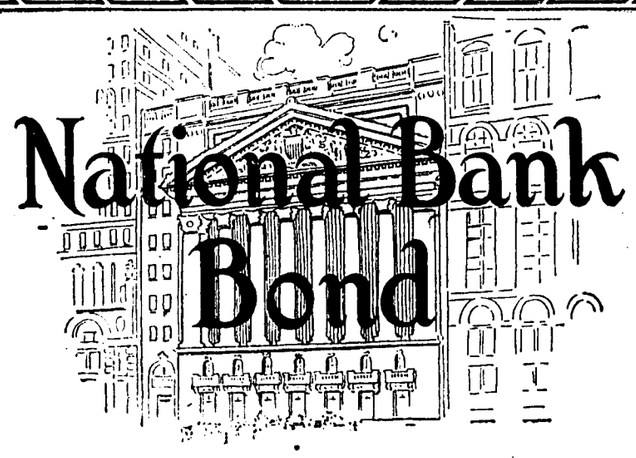
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# Jitneys may Bankrupt Electric Lines

At a recent meeting of railway men, W. V. Hill, secretary of the California Electric Railway Association, said: "Since the governor failed to sign the license and franchise jitney bill, passed by the legislature at its last session, on the ground that regulation is a matter for local authorities, a number of cities have passed regulatory ordinances, some of which have been subjected to the referendum, but, in each case, sustained at the polls by a large majority.

"Three cities, Venice, Fresno and San Diego, declined to issue licenses to the jitneys to compete with electric lines that are giving adequate service, on the ground that there was no public necessity for their operation.

"Stockton did likewise, but this has been subjected to referendum. Riverside has also declined to issue licenses except along routes where there are no electric facilities. In one or two other cities regulatory ordinances have been passed but not enforced. Some cities, such as Oakland, have excluded the jitneys from conjested districts.

"Bakersfield, by a three to one vote, sustained an ordinance passed by the council regulating the jitney, and several cities, that have not yet passed regulatory ordinances, have them under way.

"The jitney bus people have sometimes resorted to intimidation. They served notice on one mayor and council that if a regulating ordinance was passed they would defeat a bond issue that the city officials were anxious to pass. In another city they served notice on the mayor, who was facing recall, that if he did not pledge himself against an ordinance then being considered (which he refused to do) they would assist his opponent at the polls. Notwithstanding their efforts he was re-elected by a vote of three to one.

"Los Angeles sustained an ordinance passed by the council by rejecting an initiative ordinance submitted by the jitney people, voting it down by about 12,000. The council has now placed the regulation of the jitney under the jurisdiction of the board of public utilities, where it belongs.

"The people are fast coming to a realization that, unless steps are taken to place the jitney bus (which includes the interurban buses), under regulation, and they are required to assume their share of transportation responsibilities, the public will be confronted with the necessity of depending entirely upon this unreliable mode of conveyance in lieu of the service that is given by the electric lines.

"In each case where the issue has been brought out clearly the people have decided overwhelmingly in favor of the electric car service.

"Some electric lines already have been compelled through lack of protection to abandon their weaker lines, in other places they have reduced schedules. It goes without stying that the abandonment of such lines is depreciating property values.

"The jitney is not here to develop the outlying districts, but may be classified as a parasite, taking the cream of the traffic, and leaving the long hauls through sparcely settled districts to the electric lines.

"It is not necessary for the jitney bus to take away more than five or ten per cent of electric railway revenue to materially affect the continued operation and future growth of these lines, for in many cases it places them where they cannot meet operating expenses, let alone interest on investment.

"The public must realize that the electric railways of this state are not very profitable investments when you consider that 5¼ per cent of their gross earnings must be paid to the state; about 10 per cent absorbed in paving and maintaining their tracks; an average of 2 per cent of gross receipts paid to cities under terms of the franchises; while, aside from taxes and maintenance of streets, the amount that goes to pay rolls is far in excess of all other items put together. Adding interest charges to these figures, it does not require the loss of a large per cent of earnings to bring around a very serious situation.

"The people are beginning to appreciate this condition, and it is only a question of time when they will realize the necessity of placing the jitney on an equality with electric lines—for their own protection.

"The question is, will they wait until too late before they come to a realization of the seriousness of the situation?"

### WHY DID HE LEAVE?

James J. Hill, the northwestern railroad builder, who talks a great deal, says he was born and reared on a farm, and knows the wholesome joys of such a career, and he can't understand why boys leave the old homestead and flock to the cities. He doesn't explain why de did so.

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### Strenuous Admiralty Law.

It was the early days of boat travel on the Ohio river when even passenger steamers stopped at landings on islands and mainlands for freight. We had made an island landing, and a wealthy passenger had left the boat to buy cigars at the island's tiny store. He bought $5 worth and presented a hundred dollar bill in payment, whereupon the storekeeper offered him $5 in change, asserting that he had received only $10. The customer returned to the boat and related his tale of woe to the captain, who at once went ashore and informed the storekeeper that unless the change was at once forthcoming he would hitch a cable around the store and drag it into the river.

The storekeeper still refused, and the captain departed for his boat. A cable was quickly passed around the little building, hitched to the vessel and full steam ordered. When the shack tottered upon its foundations, the frightened storekeeper appeared, the missing bills fluttering in his hand!—New York Post.

### He Proved His Case.

"Human nature is mighty queer, isn't it?" he observed to the other man on the rear platform of the street car.

"Yes, I suppose so," replied the other.

"People are too sensitive—altogether too sensitive."

"I don't know about that."

"Well, I do. For instance, now, you have a red nose. You are not to blame for it perhaps, but you are so sensitive that if I should offer you a remedy for it you"—

"You old loafer, I've a good mind to knock your head off!" hissed the red nosed man as he squared off

"Told you so," replied the other as he dropped off. "Human nature is the queerest durned thing on earth, and some folks are so sensitive that they'd swallow their false teeth rather than let any one know they had 'em."—Detroit Free Press.

### Hot Milk In Mashed Potatoes.

"The reason that really good mashed white potatoes are such a rarity in this bitter world is that the milk isn't heated before it is put into them," said the domestic science teacher.

"And yet," said the pupil pensively, "I have seen wonderful cooks put in cold milk."

"But that was while the potatoes were burning hot and on the stove," insisted the advocate of the hot milk dressing. "The potatoes were so awfuly hot that they heated the milk. The safest way is to heat the milk and to use also plenty of butter, pepper and salt. Then beat and beat them with a fork. Never use a spoon. You can't beat them too much for their own good."—New York Herald.

### Going Home to Mother.

Just what is meant by going home to one's mother, in its larger sense, is perhaps a little difficult to define. Yet, surely, it must be a very universal experience. Have we not all at some time—often following a period of confusion and stress of circumstances—suddenly experienced that deep sense of finding ourselves where we belonged? A sense of restfulness, of homecoming, of general rightness and well doing? It is a sloughing off of the nonessential and the trivial and a shifting of the spirit into deeper and simpler channels; a pause, when in the midst of all this mad dance of time and circumstances one gets a sudden, enlarging glimpse of truth and of eternity.—Atlantic Monthly.

### Why It Burns.

There are a number of chemical substances which when applied to the skin will cause a burning sensation, and mustard is one of these. It acts on the tongue and other sensitive parts of the body as an irritant. It causes the blood vessels to swell and discharge some of their contents. If it is left on the skin long enough it will blister. That is what happens when a mustard plaster is applied. Under the mustard plaster we find a red patch produced by the swelling of blood vessels. This causes pressure on the nerves that produces the sensation we call burning.

### Wills In Argentina.

In Argentina the laws provide that a father must leave his children four-fifths of his fortune and a husband if he has no children has to leave all of his property to his wife. An unmarried son is compelled to leave his parents two-thirds of his property, and only unmarried persons without parents or descendants can make wills disposing of their possessions as they see fit.

### An Effective Way.

"They say," said the young dramatist, "that I shall have to cut my play down, but I really don't know where to begin."

"Why not start at both ends," his candid friend asked, "and work toward the middle?"

### All He Gets.

The Boss—Ain't it enough that I save your life? The Bookkeeper—What do you mean—save my life? The Boss—If I gave you the raise you're asking for you'd drop dead.—New York Globe.

### Self Praise.

Be careful that you do not commend yourselves. It is a sign that your reputation is small and sinking if your own tongue must praise you.—Sir Matthew Hale.

### Exceptions.

"Like produces like."

"Not always. Just you try to get any cold cash from a snow bank."—Baltimore American.

Enjoy the present day, trusting very little to the morrow.—Horace.

### Jupiter's Moons.

The statement that Jupiter's moons can occasionally be seen without optical aid by keen sighted persons needs some qualification. Within the last quarter of a century the space penetrating power of the camera, combined with the world's giant telescopes, has added no fewer than five Jovian satellites to the four which Galilei discovered 300 years ago. Four of the five new moons were "netted" at the famous Lick observatory, on Mount Hamilton, California, and the fifth is to the credit of Greenwich observatory. But all of the new discoveries are so small and, with one exception, so distant from Jupiter that they are beyond the range of naked eye vision, even from Jupiter itself, unless an observer on the planet had better eyesight than we terrestrials. Indeed, to see Satellite IX (the latest addition to Jupiter's family of moons) a hypothetical observer on Jupiter would need eyesight capable of seeing a star 300 times fainter than the faintest visible to human eyesight.—London Chronicle.

### The Frugal Breton.

"As I watched the fishermen unloading their cargoes I had a striking illustration of Breton frugality," writes Herbert Adams Gibbons in an article on "The Sardine Industry of Brittany," in Harper's Magazine. "So many sardines come into the port of Douarnenez that their white, flecky scales cover the sand in mounds, washed up by the tides. Some of the boats have their decks covered several inches deep with the catch. But the fishermen actually count every sardine and send them ashore in baskets of exactly 200 each.

"There is no guesswork, no approximation by weighing. Since at low tide the boats are fifteen feet below the mole, the porters let down ropes to fishermen in the boats. The baskets are drawn up one at a time. If a single fish happens to fall overboard they go after it with a hand net and make really strenuous efforts to recover it. These are fishermen to whom the admonition to gather up the fragments would not have been necessary."

### The Four Great Sauces.

A French epicure has declared that "man has created the culinary art; he does not feed like an animal—he breakfasts, dines and sups."

The French are particularly eloquent on the subject of sauces. Among their famous chefs are recognized four great sauces, Spanish, velóute, bechamel and German. The Spanish and velóute were known as far back as the seventeenth century. In the eighteenth they were modified by the masters of cookery, particularly by Careme, who was called "the Raphael of the kitchen."

The Spanish sauce is composed of juices extracted from a mixture of ham, veal, chicken and pheasant. Velóute is similar, but is not colored. Bechamel is velóute to which cream has been added, and the German sauce is velóute plus the yolks of eggs.

### Curious Dwarf Oaks.

Known to ranchmen as chinnery, the dwarf oak of the southwest presents a curious instance of the devious and inscrutable ways of nature. There the liliputian of the great oak family covers a great area in the plains of Texas bordering on New Mexico. The trees, it is said, rarely attain a height of twenty inches and are replicas of their giant brothers in other parts of the country. The acorns which they bear are as large as those of the common burr oak and present a grotesque appearance hanging from the little limbs of the low growing shrub or tree. The annual crop of mast is used for fattening hogs. When the acorns are ripe many wild animals and birds flock into the miniature forest to feast on the nuts.—Argonaut.

### Told Almost All.

Here is a story told by one of our women lawyers:

"I told my client to tell me everything just as it had occurred—to hold back nothing—and then, being perfectly familiar with all the facts, I might be able to help him. After the story had come to an end I asked him if that were all.

"'Everything—'cept where I hid th' money!' was the answer."—Buffalo News.

### Islands.

There are about 100,000 islands, large and small, scattered over the oceans. America alone has 5,500 around its coasts. There are 365 in the bay of Rio Janeiro, 16,000 between Madagascar and India and some 1,200 off the eastern coast of Australia between its mainland and New Guinea.

### Legal Snags.

"Seems to me that the lawyers have it easy in life."

"Why so?"

"The rest of us have to surmount our own obstacles, but if a lawyer strikes one he applies to some judge and has it set aside."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

### Three Clocks.

The best three clocks in the world are at the naval observatory at Washington and the observatories at Greenwich and Berlin. The former two are the best and show a mean deviation of fifteen one-thousandths of a second a day.

### Easy Mark.

Randall—I just borrowed $5 from a friend. Rogers—Give me his address quick. Randall—Why? Rogers—A man who would lend money to you would lend it to any one.—Life.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE.
Sheriff's Sale No. B 20488.

Order of Sale and Decree of Foreclosure and Sale.

H. L. Reed, plaintiff,
vs.
Ella M. Dixon, Henry H. Dixon, her husband, Arthur P. Brink, P. A. Brink, J. H. Bullard, Union Trust & Savings Bank of Pasadena, a corporation, John Doe, Richard Roe and Mary Doe, defendants.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, issued out of the Superior Court of the County of Los Angeles, of the State of California, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1915, in the above entitled action, wherein H. L. Reed, the above named plaintiff, obtained a judgment and decree of foreclosure and sale against Ella M. Dixon, Henry H. Dixon, her husband, et al defendants, on the 30th day of November, A. D. 1915, for the sum of twenty-one hundred fifty-two and 44-100 ($2152.44) dollars, gold coin of the United States, which said decree was, on the 2nd day of December, A. D. 1915, recorded in Judgment Book 321 of said Court, at page 272, I am commanded to sell all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and bounded and described as follows:

Lot two hundred forty-five (245) E. J. Baldwin's 5th Subdivision of a portion of Rancho La Puente as per map recorded in book 12, pages 134 and 135 of maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said county. Together with the tenements, heriditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

**Public notice is hereby given**, that on Tuesday, the 1st day of February, A. D. 1915, at 12 o'clock M. of that day, in front of the court house door of the County of Los Angeles, Broadway entrance, I will, in obedience to said order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, sell the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment, with interests and costs, etc., to the highest and best bidder, for cash gold coin of the United States.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1916.
JNO. C. CLINE,
Sheriff of Los Angeles County.
By W. T. Osterholt, Deputy Sheriff.
Simpson, Moody & Simpson, plaintiff's attorneys. 1-7,14,21,28

WARNING.

Put no glass, nails or rubbish in the alleys or streets of the City of Covina. This is forbidden by Ordinance 44, and will hereafter be strictly enforced.

F. F. CROZIER,
City Marshal.

No. 31337.
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, in and for the County of Los Angeles.

NOTICE OF HEARING OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL.

In the matter of the estate of Eva Reed, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the petition of James D. Reed for the probate of will of Eva Reed, deceased, and for the issuance of letters testamentary thereon to James D. Reed, will be heard at 10 o'clock a.m., on the 15th day of February, 1916, at the court room of department 2 of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, California.

Dated January 21st, 1916.
H. J. LELANDE, Clerk.
By H. Brodek, Deputy Clerk.
Thos. B. Reed, Attorney for Petitioner. 1-29, 2-5-12


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FOR SALE—Extra fine 2 year old Eureka lemon trees, at your own price. Clearing ground. Also 2 yr. old Valencias cheap. W. C. Colver. Phone 514, Covina. 2-25p

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FOR SALE—Dining-room table, four leather-bottom chairs, library table and two rockers and complete furnishings for six-room house. Phone 184. 1tp

FOR SALE—Light driving horse, harness and buggy, cheap. Will separate. Also Belgian does. Phone 126. 1tp

BLUEGUM WOOD FOR SALE—$9 a cord. Mensing ranch, Irwindale avenue, phone 151 Covina. 1-28p

FOR SALE—Team iron gray horses, 9 years old, 2900 pounds, sound. Fred B. Church, phone 345. 1-29p

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred white leghorn hatching eggs, 4c each. Baby chicks later. Mrs. S. N. Elston, 242 W. Center. 2-4p

FOR SALE—Finest residence lot in Covina; 50x175 feet, on Navilla Place; $600 cash. All street improvements paid. See J. L. Matthews. tf

FOR SALE—Two exceptionally beautiful yellow Angora kittens. Phone 368. Dorotha Cassel. 1t

FOR SALE CHEAP—Team of mules. Phone 715, Covina. 1tp

### FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Three-room house, partly furnished, $7.50 per month. On electric line, near Vincent street. Telephone 596. tf

FOR RENT—Furnished 4-room flat at the San Antonio, on the car line. Phone 998. 1t

FOR RENT—On Feb. 15, 8-room 2-story house on E. Center St. See the owner, J. L. Matthews. tf

### LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND—Automobile tire, Wednesday. Owner may have it by proving same and paying for this ad. Call 399. 1tp

LOST—A pair of spectacles, Wednesday. Finder please return to Badillo Inn. 2-4p

### WANTED.

WANTED—Girl for general housework. E. M. Bosworth, phone 150. 1tp

## APPROPRIATION MADE TO FIGHT CITRUS CANKER.

Word comes from Washington that the house of representatives has passed the urgent deficiency bill, carrying twelve million dollars. Representatives of Florida and California citrus interests succeeded in having an item attached to this bill giving the secretary of agriculture an emergency fund of $300,000 with which to fight the citrus canker peril which has appeared in Florida, and threatens the California groves. The inclusion of this item was a concession to the citrus interests, though it was in imminent danger of being thrown out on a point of order. Col. Sparkman, the veteran Florida legislator, was among the most active supporters of the appropriation in organizing the forces on the floor of the house.

# Church News

NOTE—Items for this column should be handed in Wednesday or early on Thursday morning, as it inconveniences us to handle same later. Please try and limit notices to neighborhood of 75 words.—The Argus.

**Church of the Sacred Heart, Catholic—Mass at 8:00 a.m. in new edifice at Fifth and Center strets. Rev. M. H. Geary, pastor.**

Services in the Church of the Holy Trinity: Fourth Sunday Epiphany: Holy comunion, 7:30 a.m. Sunday-school at 9:45 a.m. Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a.m. Evensong, 7:30 p.m.

Christian Science Society of Covina holds service Sunday at 11 a.m. in Woman's club-house, Citrus avenue. Subject, "Love." Sunday-school at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 8 o'clock.

First Presbyterian Church: Chauncey A. Foreman, pastor. Sunday-school at 9:45; Chas. A. Hale, superintendent. Morning worship 11; theme, "The Endurement of Power." Evening worship 7:30. C. E. Society meets at 6:30; topic, "Great Foreign Missionaries"; leader, missionary committee. Strangers and visitors welcome.

First Methodist Church: Sunday-school at 9:45. Public worship at 11 a.m. Mrs. M. M. Northrup of Los Angeles will speak on the subject of "Missions." Epworth League at 6:30, led by Mrs. Charles Speer. Public worship at 7:30. Sermon by the pastor. Good music at each meeting. Special song service at evening meeting. Prayer-meeting and Bible study Wednesday night.

Church of the Brethren: George F. Chemberlen, elder in charge. Sunday services: Sunday-school, 10. Preaching at 11 a.m.; subject, "Keeping the Faith." 2 Tim. 4:7. Christian Workers' meeting at 7:30; subject, "Christ's Word to Be Feared." Luke 12:32. Teachers' training Wednesday, 7 p. m. Bible-study at 7:45; for Feb. 2nd, "Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus." Everyone is invited and welcomed.

Christian Church, corner San Bernardino road and Park street. At the Sunday-school hour, 9:45, Miss Ruth Tally will render a saxaphone solo; Dale Thomason, superintendent. Sermon and communion 11 a.m. C. E. 6:30. Sermon, 7:30. Mr. Minter Stanton will sing at both services. Subject of morning sermon, "The Possibility of Impossibilities"; evening subject, "Making a Lame Man Leap." Also numerous stereopticon slides will illustrate a thirty-minute address on "In the Footsteps of Jesus." Garrett W. Thompson, minister.

## CONTINUED HEAVY RAINS SWELL SEASON'S TOTAL.

The Covina high school observations for the week are as follows:

| Date | Max. | Min. | Hum. | Rain |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. 21 | 59.0 | 30.0 | 87.0 | 0.00 |
| Jan. 22 | 60.5 | 33.0 | 76.0 | 0.00 |
| Jan. 24 | 66.5 | 38.5 | 90.0 | 0.01 |
| Jan. 25 | 56.0 | 46.0 | 94.0 | 0.86 |
| Jan. 26 | 61.0 | 36.0 | 80.0 | 0.05 |
| Jan. 27 | 59.0 | 41.0 | 93.0 | 1.30 |

Total rainfall for week, 2.22 in.
Total rainfall for season, 18.72 in.
Observations taken at 8 a.m. for preceding 24 hours.

NEWTON FISHER, Observer.

Captain Mussey's gauge at his ranch on the wsetern edge of Covina city registered 1.35 for the storm of Wednesday night to Thursday morning. For the month of January he has 15.90 inches, and for the season 20.13. This is up to 8 o'clock Thursday morning. The heavy rainfall of yesterday bids fair to add an inch to the total.


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# Anxious Period Spent by Valley Ranchers

**Storm of Wednesday Night and Yesterday Brings Nearly Three Inches of Rain, and Swells Local Streams to Alarming Proportions — Break in Steady Downpour at Nightfall Is Reassuring.**

Yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the storm which had been persisting steadily since nightfall of Wednesday night, broke away under the influence of a brisk wind from the ocean. The storm yesterday was accompanied for the most part of the day by heavy winds.

More water was carried by the Walnut wash south of Covina during yesterday than was the case during the storm of ten days ago. The small cottage of William Daniels, at the foot of Citrus avenue, was menaced for a time, but the waters receded slightly after 12 o'clock. At the Seitz residence at the foot of Lark Ellen, the water was taking up all the waterway between the cement walls, running fifteen feet deep in places. It threatened to take out the approaches of the new steel and concrete bridge, but it was saved by the ranchers, who worked with sacks of sand, filling in the gaps made in the approaches. Poles and transformers belonging to the Pacific Light & Power Company were torn down and carried away. The boulevard to Puente was covered with water for two miles, with nearly three feet of water at the low point near the Feddersohn ranch.

The San Dimas wash threatened to break at Glendora avenue at noon. Workmen were unable to maintain a wing-dam of brush. It was swept away. The house of Mr. Carr, which has been in the path of three serious floods, was entirely surrounded by water. Carr came to Covina to stay over night. At all the known serious points in Charter Oak a gang of men was stationed yesterday.

In Irwindale the approaches to the culvert just east of Lark Ellen street on the boulevard washed out again at noon, stopping traffic between this valley and Los Angeles.

The Southern Pacific lines were under water between Covina and Pomona yesterday afternoon. A telephone communication from Pomona stated that more water came through the city yesterday than was the case ten days ago, but that it did not do as much damage.

No Pacific Electric cars reached Covina from Los Angeles yesterday afternoon. The tracks are out at several small culverts. Much more water in all the streets and boulevards was noticed during this storm than ten days ago, and this is responsible for the serious condition in the Walnut wash.

It rained slightly over an inch during the daylight hours yesterday.

## PIONEER ORANGE RANCHER ILL WITH PNEUMONIA."

James W. Heath of Puente street, one of the pioneer orange ranchers of the valley, lies critically ill at his home as the result of an attack of pneumonia. He is attended constantly by a trained nurse, and several physicians have been in consultation on his case.

Mr. Heath received a severe physical shock during the flood of last week, when his home was surrounded by water and he fought to save his ranch from damage. He was exposed to the weather so many times that it resulted in a serious illness.

Yesterday he was reported at the house as having rallied somewhat from his first relapse and more hopes were given out for his recovery, although his condition is still extremely serious.

## I. C. FAIRLY RAPIDLY IMPROVES FROM ILLNESS.

I. C. Fairly, who has been critically ill with erysipelas at his home, is reported this week as very much better. He has been able to leave the house for a few hours. Mr. Fairly is one of the pioneer business men of Covina, and many have been filled with anxiety at his critical condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Large of San Pedro are spending a few days with relatives in Covina. Mrs. Large was formerly Miss Mildred Houser.

**Her Chance.**

Mrs. Suphrage—Our society has appointed me chairman of a committee whose object it is to bring about a reduction in rents. Mr. Suphrage—I'm very glad to hear it, my dear. When we get home you can begin on my trousers.—Philadelphia Ledger.

**Mysterious Disappearance.**

"Ma, did I eat the hole in the doughnut too?"

"No, dear; a hole cannot be eaten."

"Well, then, what became of it?"—Boston Transcript.

**Eels.**

A student of fish culture says that two pounds of newborn eels will yield in three years about six tons of edible fish, worth $1,000.

## STAR THEATER BEGINS SATURDAY MATINEES.

Beginning tomorrow, the Star theater will hold a matinee every Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

It is the intention of the manager to cater to those people who are in town for an afternoon of trading, but who cannot readily get out to the theater in the evening. The matinee program will be Henrietta Crossman in "The Unwelcome Mrs. Hatch," and the comedy, "The Seventh Day," played by Raymond McKee. There is also another comedy reel.

Large crowds saw Theda Bara in "Lady Audley's Secret," and Blanche Sweet in "The Warrens of Virginia," on Wednesday and Thursday nights in spite of rainy weather. Both films were exceptionally good.

For the coming week Mrs. Dietz has selected a strong bill for each night, including William Crane in "David Harum," Clara Kimball Young in "The Heart of the Blue Ridge," and Mary Pickford in "Fanchon the Cricket."

## RURAL FREE DELIVERY OBSTRUCTED BY DITCHES.

Ditches and drains by the side of the roads in the country districts around Covina have been washed out and roughened up so badly by the floods that the rural free delivery carriers are having difficulty in reaching the boxes.

Postmaster D. F. Stafford is asking the house-holders in the country to fix these approaches to the boxes so that the carrier can reach the boxes without getting out of the machine. The postmaster reminds the patrons that it is against the rules of the department for a rural delivery carrier to get out of his conveyance to put mail in a box.

## NEW APPRAISEMENT FOR FLOOD-DAMAGED LANDS.

Beginning the first of March, County Assessor Ed Hopkins will visit all the localities where flood damage has occurred, and will make a re-appraisement of the property. Land that has been damaged by the floods will be given a new deal in the assessor's office.

It is not advisable, he says, to begin this re-appraisement until March, as there may be another flood with more damage. He remembers the incidents of two years ago, when property was badly injured in January and much more seriously damaged in February.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH INSTALLS MOTION PICTURE MACHINE.

A Powers moving picture machine, one of the best that can be obtained, is being installed in the First Christian church of Covina this week, and will be ready to give programs a week from Sunday, according to a statement by the pastor, Rev. G. W. Thompson.

The machine will be operated by Frank Bisbee, who has been studying the motion-picture machine with experts. Sunday evening motion-pictures will be run continuously through the year.

In speaking of the innovation yesterday, Rev. Thompson said: "I have a personal letter from Charles F. Resnier, Methodist minister and author of "Workable Plans For Wide-Awake Churches.' He says there is no question about the attractive power of the motion-picture in churches. He is using them with great success, and advises all churches to adopt similar plans."

## CLUB NOTES.

The meeting of the Monday Afternoon Club, scheduled to be held Jan. 17, and which was postponed because of stormy weather, will be postponed again until February 7. At that time Mrs. John Bixby will give her paper on "Gardening in California." The meeting next Monday will be a social tea and the ladies are asked to bring their work and spend the afternoon informally. The visit to the Merwin school, scheduled for this meeting, will take place at a later date.

## MRS. SMITH WILL OPEN HOTEL VENDOME.

Mrs. G. E. Smith, who has been operating the Havlin house on College street, announces this week that she will open the Hotel Vendome on Citrus avenue on March 1. She will charge the same prices for meals as the Havlin House, and will rent rooms.

Mrs. Smith takes this opportunity of thanking the people of the Covina valley for the splendid patronage she has received at the Havlin House, and hopes for a continued patronage when the Hotel Vendome is opened. 1t

## CRITICAL ILLNESS COMES TO THOMAS HAVLIN.

Thomas Havlin, for a number of years a blacksmith here, and well known to everyone, is in a very critical condition. He has suffered another stroke of paralysis. Physicians say that he cannot survive this attack.

**Fire Versus Life Insurance.**

Of the 12,000,000 or so dwellings in the United States 96 per cent are protected—at least to some extent—by fire insurance. But of our 100,000,000 inhabitants only 18 per cent have taken out life insurance policies. Men seem to be more uneasy over the mere possibility of the burning of their houses than over the stern certainty that death will some day overtake them. This is a strange contradiction in human nature. To safeguard the nation's material possessions is well, but how much more valuable than the homes are the human lives of the country! In this age, when the principles of life insurance are so well understood, there should be no such discrepancy between the number of homes and of lives insured. In many instances the former could not be saved from foreclosure were the earners of incomes to pass away leaving the families unprovided for. It is as much the duty of every man to insure his life as to insure his property, and if he has no insurable property there is all the more reason for insuring his life.—Leslie's.

**How to Ride.**

In riding sit erect and don't slouch along. Don't try to be a cowboy if you are not. We have the real simon pure cowpunchers and broncho busters; also we have the tin horn variety of the same species. Steer clear of the latter; also be careful not to get into this category yourself.

Remember that a horse is only flesh and blood and not a machine. He gets tired, hungry and thirsty, and for goodness' sake, treat him accordingly. Because he is a lively horse and you are paying his hire, treat him white just the same. Remember that some one else rode him yesterday, and another will probably do so tomorrow. Give your horse the same kind of a deal you yourself would demand if you were in its place. Even a broncho has feelings and will appreciate your thoughtfulness.—Outing.

**One Misery of Anglo-Indian Life.**

Every night at dinner the Anglo-Indian holds a kind of levee. The insects which attend dance gayly round the lamp, and one has to watch one's plate and glass carefully lest some of the insects should dance into them. There is one insect—a little, flat, brown, shining creature—which emits the worst odor in the world. If one of these touches your food the whole is tainted and rendered inedible. You dare not kill these pests, for if one be squashed the whole room becomes filled with its disgusting smell and is uninhabitable for the next half hour. So these abominable insects fly about with impunity, while the poor Anglo-Indian must perforce look helplessly on and inwardly sigh "spero meliora."—London Saturday Review.

**If a Naturalist Painted.**

If I were to paint the short days of winter I should paint two towering icebergs approaching each other like promontories, for morning and evening, with cavernous recesses and a solitary traveler wrapping his cloak about him and bent forward against the driving storm, just entering the narrow pass. I would paint the light of a taper at midday, seen through a cottage window, half buried in snow and frost. In the foreground should be seen the sowers in the fields and other evidences of spring. On the right and left of the approaching icebergs the heavens should be shaded off from the light of midday to midnight with its stars, the sun being low in the sky.—Henry David Thoreau.

**The Lyre Bird.**

The fully developed male lyre bird is one of the most handsome and notable of the forms of bird life of Queensland. The contour of the bird, with its long neck and stout gallinaceous feet, is by no means unlike that of a peacock, and the wonderful tail, possessed only by the male birds, fulfills a corresponding role of vain display. The bird executes antics for a train of female admirers on a raised earthen mound. For a short period of the year, about January, the lyre bird loses its characteristic plumes and has to be content with the sober plumage of its mate.

**Internal Portraiture.**

An art patroness was gushing over a portrait in the presence of the artist.

"I do not know how it is," she said, "but when you paint a portrait you seem to put more into it than any one else can see."

"Madam," he exclaimed in a rhapsody, "it is not faces alone that I paint; it is souls!"

"Oh," she replied cuttingly, for his enthusiasm was too warm, "you do interiors, do you?"—Exchange.

**Cold Mixtures.**

One of the coldest mixtures known is made by adding three pounds of muriate of lime to one pound of snow. Three pounds of snow added to one pound of salt make the mixture fall thirty-two degrees below freezing point.

**Easy Saving.**

In Argentina a postal savings bank account can be opened by depositing one paper dollar, but after that sums of mere fractions of a cent may be entered by purchase of a stamp.

**Who Knows?**

A little girl, finishing her breakfast, looked up and asked, "Mother, what is hash when it is alive?"—Chicago Herald.

The lucky man is the one who sees and grasps his opportunity.—Old Saying.